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THE SHADOW VS SHIWAN KHAN

STILL A PRISONER IN SHIWAN KHAN'S HIDDEN DOMAIN, MARGO LANE HEARS A STRANGELY REPEATED KNOCK AT THE DOOR OF HER ROOM!!!
THAT CAN'T BE SHIWAN KHAN! I WONDER!!
KNOCK KNOCK KNO
Ledger Syndicate
THE SHADOW! HOW DID YOU FIND YOUR WAY HERE?
I HYPNOTIZED THIS ASSASSIN WHEN SHIWAN KHAN SENT HIM TO KILL ME. I MADE HIM LEAD ME HERE!
AND IS PAUL BRENT STILL SAFE?
YES. BRENT IS SAFE. POLICE ARE OUTSIDE. WE'LL BRING THEM IN FOR A SHOWDOWN WITH SHIWAN KHAN!
WHAT ABOUT THE MAN YOU HYPNOTIZED?
HE'LL STAY THAT WAY INDEFINITELY. NO ONE WILL LOOK FOR HIM IN THE ROOM WHERE YOU ARE!
Ledger Syndicate
LOOK OUT!
DON'T WORRY, I'LL HANDLE HIM--- AND SILENTLY!

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CAN YOU HYPNOTIZE ANY OF SHIWAN KHAN'S FOLLOWERS?
YES! THEY ARE ALL SUSCEPTIBLE. HYPNOTISM IS THE SYSTEM BY WHICH HE HIMSELF CONTROLS THEM!
E-26
SHIWAN KHAN'S ROOM. I--- I'M AFRAID! I'VE GONE DIZZY EVERY TIME I'VE ENTERED IT!
I'VE LEARNED ALL I NEED. GO OUT AND SUMMON THE POLICE. HAVE THEM WAIT HERE!
VERNON V. GREENE
WHILE THE SHADOW IS ROUNDING UP SHIWAN KHAN'S FOLLOWERS, MARGO FINDS THE WAITING POLICE!!
SHIWAN KHAN CERTAINLY TRAINED THIS CROWD WELL! ONE HYPNOTIC PASS PUTS THEM UNDER!
MARGO LANE! YOU WERE CAPTURED BY SHIWAN KHAN!
YES! THE SHADOW RESCUED ME! COME ALONG, COMMISSIONER HE'S WAITING FOR YOU!
Ledger Syndicate
THIS IS BENJAMIN TWINDELL HE WAS FENCING JEWELS FOR SHIWAN KHAN. PAUL BRENT IS INNOCENT!
I KNEW THAT THE SHADOW WOULD PROVE IT!
THIS IS SHIWAN KHAN'S DOOR. IF YOU KNOCK HE WILL OPEN IT. BUT THE SHADOW SAID TO WAIT!
I CAN'T WAIT, MISS LANE. IT IS MY DUTY TO ARREST SHIWAN KHAN IMMEDIATLY!
VERNON V. GREENE
E-27

THE SHADOW VS SHIWAN KHAN

DISREGARDING THE SHADOW'S ORDER TO AWAIT HIS RETURN, COMMISSIONER WESTON KNOCKS AT THE GOLDEN DOOR WHICH BARS THE THRONE ROOM OF THE NOTORIOUS SHIWAN KHAN!
Ledger Syndicate
IT'S OPENING! COME ON!
YOU SHOULD WAIT!
AH! THE POLICE COMMISSIONER, BRINGING MY OLD FRIEND TWINDELL. WHY AM I SO HONORED?
WE'VE COME TO ARREST YOU SHIWAN KHAN!
THEN TAKE ME-- IF YOU CAN!
SEIZE HIM MEN!--WAIT! I'M SLIPPING!
SAY! WHAT HIT US?
I KNEW THIS WOULD HAPPEN!
I'VE GONE DIZZY?
QUICKLY! SHIWAN KHAN HAS HYPNOTIZED THEM ALL!
COMING UP MARGO!
SECURE ON HIS THRONE, SHIWAN KHAN PRODUCES A REVOLVER!
AND NOW- YOU FOOLS!
I SHALL DISPOSE OF EACH OF YOU IN TURN, BEGINNING WITH YOU, COMMISSIONER!
LOOK OUT MASTER! THE SHADOW!

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THE SHADOW! LOOK AT HIM TRAVEL!
I'M TAKING YOU ALIVE, SHIWAN KHAN!
WHAT-EVER KNOCK-ED US ISN'T STOPPING HIM!
VERNON GREENE
Ledger Syndicate
8-29
GOOD WORK, TWINDELL! I SHALL REWARD YOU! MY TURN NOW SHADOW!
I'LL HELP YOU MASTER!
THAT'S THE WAY TO DEAL WITH TRAITORS!
THE SHADOW FLINGS TWINDELL AS SHIWAN KHAN FIRES!
BANG!
SAY! TWINDELL'S TAKING THAT SHOT!
Ledger Syndicate
MY TURN AGAIN, SHIWAN KHAN!
NOT QUITE SHADOW!
SHIWAN KHAN VANISHES IN A CLOUD OF GREEN SMOKE!
WHERE -- WHERE DID SHIWAN KHAN GO?
DOWN THROUGH THE THRONE AND THE SHADOW IS TAKING THE SAME ROUTE
THE SHADOW HAS FOUND THE GAD-GET - AND THERE HE GOES!
VERNON GREENE
8-30

THE SHADOW VS SHIWAN KHAN

THE SHADOW HAS EXPOSED THE SCHEMES OF SHIWAN KHAN, MASTER MIND FROM ASIA. WANTED FOR MURDER, SHIWAN KHAN ESCAPED THE POLICE BY DROPPING THROUGH HIS GOLDEN THRONE. THE SHADOW FOLLOWED ALONE!
Ledger Syndicate
RIGHT BEHIND YOU, SHIWAN KHAN!
STOP HIM! I COMMAND!
OUT OF THE WAY! I HAVE BUSINESS WITH YOUR MASTER!

THE ONLY WAY HE COULD HAVE GONE AND IT LEADS UP- NOT DOWN!
E-31
THE ROOF! SHIWAN KHAN MUST HAVE DUCKED, ALONG THE WAY UP, BECAUSE THE POLICE ARE ALREADY HERE. SHIWAN KHAN IS STILL IN THE HOUSE!

GLIDING THROUGH THE POLICE CORDON, THE SHADOW BECOMES LAMONT CRANSTON AND JOINS THE COMMISSIONER---
NOW TO PARK THIS HAT AND CLOAK FOR FUTURE REFERENCE!
ANYBODY UP THERE?
HELLO LAMONT!
HELLO MARGO HOW DID YOU GET HERE?
THE SHADOW RESCUED HER FROM SHIWAN KHAN! STEP IN THIS ROOM CRANSTON, AND SEE IF IT KNOCKS YOU DIZZY AS IT DID US!

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THIS THRONE ROOM IS BUILT ON A SLANT. NO WONDER IT KNOCKED YOU DIZZY, COMMISSIONER. YOU SHOULD HAVE LEANED, TO STAY UPRIGHT!
THE WAY THE SHADOW DID, WHEN HE WENT AFTER SHIWAN KHAN
VERNON V. GREENE E-32
LIKE A CRAZY HOUSE AT CONEY ISLAND
THIS HOUSE IS CRAZIER. SHIWAN KHAN IS STILL IN IT. WE MUST FIND HIM!
Ledger Syndicate
WE'VE SEARCHED EVERYWHERE, CRANSTON, EXCEPT THIS DOOR, AND WE CAN'T GET IT OPEN!
I'LL TRY, COMMISSIONER
KEEP THAT GUN READY, LAMONT!
E-33
A TRICKY DOOR. IT OPENS AT THE WRONG SIDE!
THE DEAD WAGON ARRIVED-WE'RE SHIPPING TWINDELL'S BODY TO THE MORGUE
BE CAREFUL! SHIWAN KHAN MAY POP OUT!
YES, YES! DON'T BOTHER ME!
WHY-WHY-IT'S TWINDELL!
IT CAN'T BE! WE JUST SHIPPED HIS BODY OUT!
ONLY YOU DIDN'T! COME, WE MUST HURRY!
Ledger Syndicate
THOSE OFFICERS LOOK HYPNOTIZED, CRANSTON!
THEY ARE HYPNOTIZED, AND THEY'RE CARRYING A LIVING MAN, SHIWAN KHAN. I'M GOING AFTER THEM!
I'M COMING, TOO LAMONT!
VERNON V. GREENE

THE SHADOW VS SHIWAN KHAN

AS CRANSTON, THE SHADOW IS AGAIN PURSUING SHIWAN KHAN, WHO, BY HIS MENTAL PROWESS HYPNOTIZED THE POLICE, CAUSING THEM TO CARRY HIM THROUGH THE CORDON IN PLACE OF HIS DEAD ACCOMP-LICE, TWINDELL!

WE'RE GOING TO CATCH THEM MARGO!

I'M WITH YOU, LAMONT!

KING COU

MO

THIS WAY, MASTER!

TOO LATE AGAIN, SHADOW. I PLANNED THIS LONG AGO!

THERE GOES SHIWAN KHAN IN HIS FAKE DEAD WAGON!

AND HERE COMES SHREVIE IN HIS CAB. I MAKE PLANS BEFOREHAND TOO! WE'RE STILL IN THIS CHASE!

Ledger Syndicate

VERNON V GREENE E-34

DURING THE CHASE, CRANSTON BECOMES THE SHADOW--

THEY'RE TURNING RIGHT, LAMONT!

TRUST SHREVIE TO STICK WITH THEM

A RIVER PIER-WHAT CAN THIS MEAN, LAMONT?

IT MEANS THE END OF THE CHASE, MARGO!

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OFF THE DEEP END! SHIWAN KHAN IS GOING TO HIS DEATH!
NOT YET, MARGO. HE'S TRYING TO DRAW US TO OURS!
Ledger Syndicate
BRAKES, SHREVIE!
WATCH ME GIVE 'EM, BOSS!
HERE IS THE BOAT-MASTER, READY FOR YOU!
AND THE RIVER IS READY FOR THE SHADOW!
HOW WAS THAT, BOSS?
RATHER ABRUPT, SHREVIE! YOU STILL HAD SEVERAL FEET TO SPARE!
SCREECH
THEY'RE OFF WITH A FLYING START!
A FEW SHOTS AND I'LL GET THE RANGE!
Ledger Syndicate
NO CHANCE NOW! THAT FERRY HAS BLOCKED MY AIM!
JUST WHEN YOU FOUND THE RANGE!
AIDED BY LUCK, SHIWAN KHAN HAS ESCAPED AMID THE RIVER FOG. WILL HE RETURN TO CHALLENGE THE SHADOW'S POWER? ONLY THE SHADOW KNOWS!
E-36

LAMONT CRANSTON, OTHERWISE THE SHADOW, DISCUSSES A STRANGE CASE WITH MARGO LANE - TO THE SHADOW IT PRESAGES ANOTHER MEETING WITH A MASTER OF EVIL, SHIWAN KHAN
READ IT, MARGO. HOWARD FELBER, THE ENGINEER, WANTS ME TO INVEST IN A TWELVE-WHEELED AUTOMOBILE!
WHY, FELBER MUST BE CRAZY!
CRAZY, BUT IN A CREATIVE WAY! I BELIEVE THAT SOMEONE HAS DOMINATED FELBER'S MIND!
YOU CAN'T MEAN-- SHIWAN KHAN?
I DO MEAN SHIWAN KHAN! I'M GOING TO SEE FELBER RIGHT AWAY. CALL THE COMMISSIONER, MARGO AND HAVE HIM MEET ME!
CERTAINLY LAMONT!
A VISIT TO FELBER MAY MEAN A MEETING WITH SHIWAN KHAN. I SHALL GO AS THE SHADOW!
TO FELBER'S SHREVIE!
WHERE TO, BOSS?
VERNON V GREENE
E-37
THE SHADOW HAS STARTED ON HIS TRIP TO FELBER'S---
I'D LIKE TO SPEAK TO COMMISSIONER WESTON.
SORRY MISS LANE, HE HAS JUST LEFT!

THE SHADOW

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IF I CAN ONLY TELL LAMONT! TOO LATE!-- THERE GOES THE CAB! BUT I CAN STILL CALL FELBER, AND WARN HIM ABOUT SHIWAN KHAN!

Ledger Syndicate

SHIWAN KHAN!

GREETINGS, MISS LANE!

VERNON V GREENE

E-38

SHIWAN KHAN HYPNOTIZES MARGO

NICE OF YOU TO GET FELBER'S NUMBER FOR ME, MISS LANE!

SHIWAN KHAN, THE MASTER, SPEAKS! HARKEN, FELBER, AND OBEY MY COMMANDS---

YOU WILL AWAKEN IN FIVE MINUTES-- AND REMEMBER ---- *NOTHING!*

Ledger Syndicate

MEANWHILE--

THIS LOOKS LIKE FELBER'S PLACE. WAIT HERE, SHREVIE, WHILE I TAKE A LOOK AT THAT CRAZY MACHINE OF HIS!

E-39

UNAWARE THAT SHIWAN KHAN HAS PREPARED A TRAP FOR HIM, THE SHADOW ARRIVES AT THE GARAGE WHERE HOWARD FELBER KEEPS HIS CRAZY INVENTION—
LOCKED! WELL THIS KEY WILL UNLOCK IT IN SHORT ORDER!
Ledger Syndicate
INSIDE THE GARAGE ---
YOU CAN'T TEST THAT CONTRAPTION IN HERE MR. FELBER!
BETTER WAIT UNTIL MR. CRANSTON GETS HERE!
I CAN NOT WAIT!
MY MASTER, SHIWAN KHAN HAS ORDERED ME TO MAKE THE TEST AT ONCE!
DO YOU THINK HE'S GONE GOOFY?
HE'S BEEN THAT WAY ALL ALONG. MAYBE IF WE HUMOR HIM--
STOP HIM- BEFORE HE PUTS THAT MACHINE IN MOTION!
THE MECHANICS ARE TOO LATE TO STOP FELBER'S TEST OF THE CRAZY MACHINE!
HE'S GOT IT STARTED!
AND IT'S COMING RIGHT AT US!
THIS WAY, BOTH OF YOU!
IT WORKS! IT WORKS!

STAY THERE! I'LL HANDLE FELBER!

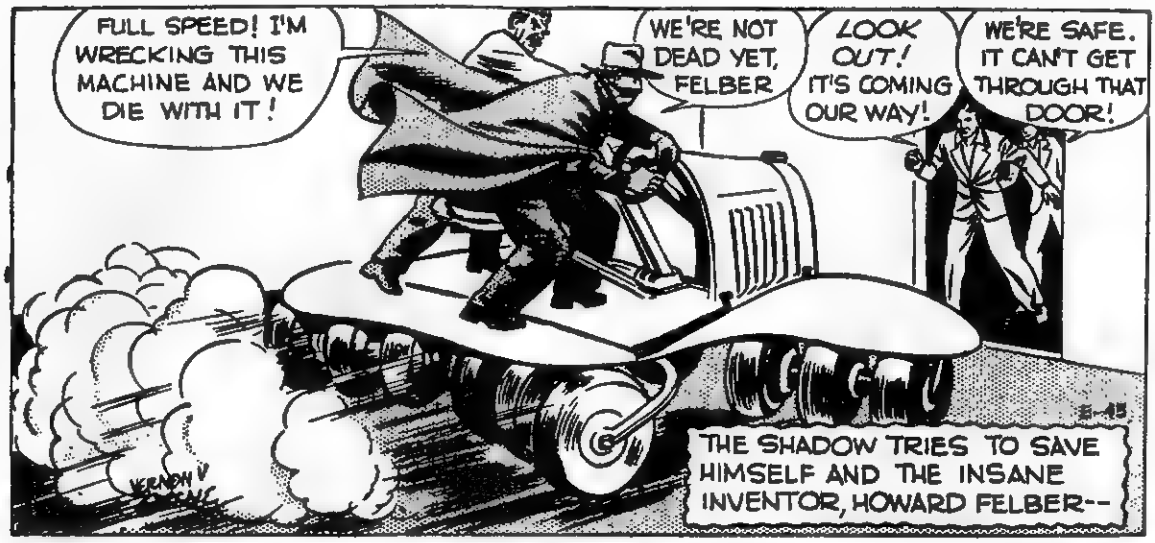
PUT ON THE BRAKES, FELBER!
BRAKES? HA-HA! THIS MACHINE HAS NO BRAKES!
VERNON V GREENE E-4
Ledger Syndicate

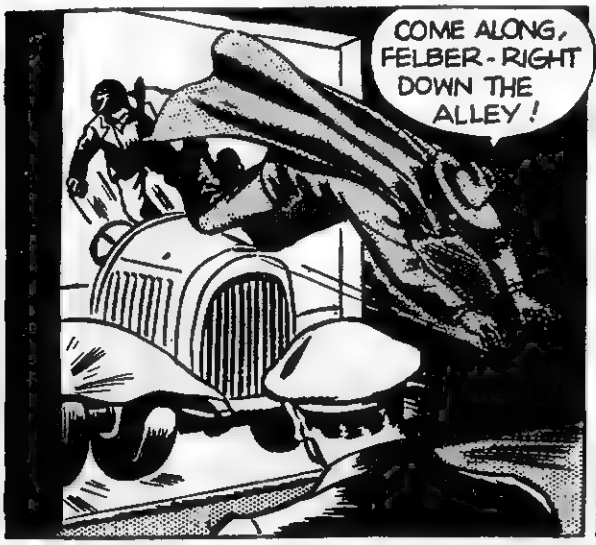
IF HE COULD ONLY HAVE DIVED OVER HERE!
BUT FELBER DIDN'T GIVE HIM A CHANCE!
Ledger Syndicate

I'VE CORNERED YOU NOW, WHOEVER YOU ARE!
I CORNERED MYSELF, FELBER, IT'S THE ONE PLACE YOUR MACHINE CAN'T GET ME!

MADLY, FELBER WHEELS THE CRAZY MACHINE ABOUT---

I'M TAKING THE WHEEL FELBER!
AND I'M GIVING THE MACHINE FULL SPEED! YOU'LL SMASH THE WALL HEAD ON-EVEN IF I DO THE SAME!
VERNON GREENE


FULL SPEED! I'M WRECKING THIS MACHINE AND WE DIE WITH IT!
WE'RE NOT DEAD YET, FELBER
LOOK OUT! IT'S COMING OUR WAY!
WE'RE SAFE. IT CAN'T GET THROUGH THAT DOOR!
THE SHADOW TRIES TO SAVE HIMSELF AND THE INSANE INVENTOR, HOWARD FELBER--


COME ALONG, FELBER - RIGHT DOWN THE ALLEY!

THAT GUY IN BLACK PICKED THE DOORWAY PERFECT!
IF HE HADN'T THEY'D BOTH BE DEAD! THEY'RE HURT THOUGH! LET'S GET THEM TO A HOSPITAL!
Ledger Syndicate

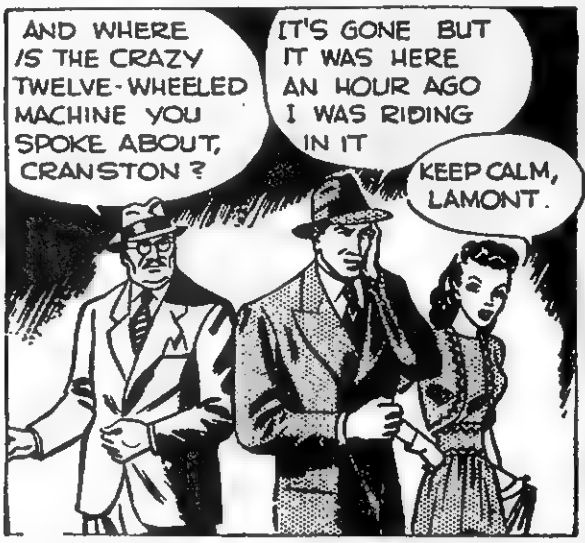
MR FELBER TOOK A HARD JOLT WHEN HE LANDED!
HE'S STILL ALIVE THOUGH! HURRY, WE'VE GOT TO BRING THE OTHER FELLOW, TOO!

THIS GUY IS OUT COLD. MAYBE HE'S HURT BAD!
PRETTY TOUGH, CONSIDERING HOW HE RESCUED MR FELBER!
Ledger Syndicate

LOCK THAT DOOR, AND WE'LL GET STARTED!
SHREVIE'S CAB COMES FROM THE CORNER--
SO THEY'RE TAKING THE BOSS SOMEWHERE! WELL, WHEREEVER HE GOES I GO!
VERNON V. GREENE 6-41
ODD! I REMEMBER RESCUING FELBER FROM THAT CRAZY MACHINE OF HIS, AND NOW I'M RIDING IN A TRUCK!
Ledger Syndicate
EMERGENCY CASES
HERE'S MY CHANCE TO SEE HOW THE BOSS IS MAKING OUT!
VERNON V. GREENE 6-45
GOOD WORK SHREVIE! LET'S GO!
O.K. BOSS!
THERE'S TWO OF THEM, DOC. BOTH HURT BAD!
I THOUGHT YOU SAID THERE WERE TWO OF THEM!
THERE WERE TWO OF THEM- MR. FELBER- AND A FELLOW IN BLACK!
THE ONE IN BLACK IS GONE, LIKE A SHADOW!

HOW'RE YOU FEELING, BOSS?
STILL HAZY, SHREVIE. I'LL LEAVE THESE THINGS IN THE CAB FOR AWHILE!
HELLO LAMONT! I COULDN'T GET THE COMMISSIONER BUT I'LL TRY AGAIN.
HOLD IT, MARGO. UNTIL I TELL YOU WHAT HAPPENED.
Ledger Syndicate
AND THERE I WAS WITH FELBER, RIDING A TWELVE-WHEELED MACHINE AS WILD AS A FLYING TRAPEZE! THEN, SUDDENLY--- SMASH! DOES IT SOUND CRAZY, MARGO?
VERY CRAZY, LAMONT!
I'M SURE MR. WESTON WONT BELIEVE YOUR STORY!
CALL HIM! HE'LL HAVE TO BELIEVE IT WHEN I SHOW HIM THE WRECKED MACHINE IN FELBER'S GARAGE!
AN AMAZING STORY, CRANSTON! A TWELVE-WHEELED AUTOMOBILE WRECKED BY THE MADMAN WHO INVENTED IT!
YOU AND MISS LANE WILL SOON SEE THE EVIDENCE, COMMISSIONER!
I HOPE SO!
AS LAMONT CRANSTON, THE SHADOW INTENDS TO PROVE HIS STORY. UNAWARE THAT OTHERS HAVE ALREADY REACHED THE GARAGE, WHERE THE WRECKED MACHINE LIES!!
SWIFTLY! GATHER EVERYTHING, AND LEAVE NO TRACES OF YOUR WORK! I, SHIWAN KHAN, HAVE SPOKEN!
WE HEAR, MASTER!
Ledger Syndicate

MEN COMING, MASTER!
ONE WORD, AND WE SHALL SLAY THEM!
LEAVE AT ONCE! THERE IS OTHER WORK TO DO!
SILENTLY--SHIWAN KHAN AND HIS MEN, RETREAT WITH THE DISMANTLED MACHINE, BEFORE THE SHADOW AND HIS COMPANIONS REACH THE GARAGE!
VERNON K. GREENE 6-11
HERE WE ARE, COMMISSIONER! NOW FOR A LOOK AT WHAT'S LEFT OF FELBER'S BRAIN CHILD!
I'M ANXIOUS TO SEE THE MACHINE--- CRANSTON!
I'M STILL HOPING!


AND WHERE IS THE CRAZY TWELVE-WHEELED MACHINE YOU SPOKE ABOUT, CRANSTON?
IT'S GONE BUT IT WAS HERE AN HOUR AGO I WAS RIDING IN IT
KEEP CALM, LAMONT.

THERE IS ONLY ONE ANSWER, COMMISSIONER! SHIWAN KHAN INSPIRED FELBER TO BUILD IT AND KHAN HAS TAKEN IT
WAIT CRANSTON I BELIEVE YOU!
LAMONT ISN'T QUITE HIMSELF
Ledger Syndicate

FELBER ISN'T THE ONLY CRAZY INVENTOR IN TOWN DID YOU EVER HEAR OF A PROFESSOR ORLIO?
YES- THE DEEP-SEA DIVER

ORLIO HAS INVENTED SOMETHING WILDER THAN A TWELVE-WHEELED CAR WE'LL GO SEE IT
ARE THEY BOTH CRAZY? OR IS THE COMMISSIONER TRYING TO HUMOR LAMONT?
THE SHADOW IS RIGHT SHIWAN KHAN GENIUS OF EVIL, HAS INSPIRED INVENTORS TO CREATE STRANGE MACHINES WHICH HE CAN ACQUIRE. WHAT IS ORLIO'S INVENTION?
VERNON K. GREENE 6-11

THE SHADOW VS SHIWAN KHAN

STRANGE THINGS HAPPEN WHEN THE SHADOW MATCHES WITS WITH SHIWAN KHAN---- SO FAR, DESPITE THE SHADOW, SHIWAN KHAN HAS STOLEN A 12-WHEELED AUTOMOBILE, THE MAD CREATION OF A CRAZED INVENTOR--AND NOW!

SO YOU BELIEVE THAT SHIWAN KHAN INSPIRED FELBER TO BUILD THAT CRAZY CONTRAPTION?

YES, COMMISSIONER, SO THAT SHIWAN KHAN COULD ACQUIRE IT LATER!

BUT WHY WOULD HE WANT THE THING LAMONT?

THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE TO FIND OUT, MARGO

HERE WE ARE AT ORLIO'S! WAIT UNTIL YOU SEE HIS INVENTION

THIS WAY, THREE FLIGHTS UP---

WHY IT'S A BATHYSPHERE FOR DEEP-SEA DIVING!

BUT WHERE IS PROFESSOR ORLIO, COMMISSIONER?

HE'S IN THE BATHYSPHERE, AND WON'T COME OUT. THAT'S ONE REASON WHY WE THINK HE'S CRAZY!

LOOK, CRANSTON! THERE'S PROFESSOR ORLIO NOW!

HE MUST HAVE OVERHEARD YOU, MR. WESTON!

SO! YOU THINK I'M CRAZY, EH, COMMISSIONER?

NO, NO, PROFESSOR! WE'VE JUST COME TO SEE YOUR BATHYSPHERE!

GOOD! I SHALL TELL YOU ALL ABOUT IT! COME CLOSER!
E-50
BUT NOT TOO CLOSE OR I SHALL FIRE!
WE'LL HAVE TO HUMOR HIM, CRANSTON
OH!
STEADY, MARGO! HE'S HARMLESS, SO FAR!
VERNON V. GREENE
A VERY FINE BATHYSPHERE, THIS. MADE ENTIRELY OF ALUMINUM, VERY LIGHT IN WEIGHT!
BUT UNLESS IT'S HEAVY, IT WON'T SINK!
Ledger Syndicate
I HAVE PROVIDED FOR THE NEEDED WEIGHT, MR. CRANSTON. I SHALL USE THOSE TANKS TO FILL THE BATHYSPHERE WITH COMPRESSED AIR---
VERNON V GREENE
E-61
--THROUGH THESE VALVES. THE ADDED WEIGHT WILL SINK THE SPHERE!
BUT YOU'LL BE INSIDE THE SPHERE, PROFESSOR ORLIO. HOW WILL YOU STAND THE PRESSURE?
AN EXCELLENT POINT—ODD I NEVER THOUGHT OF IT! I MUST FIND A WAY!
I TOLD YOU ORLIO WAS CRAZY, CRANSTON!
YOU MEAN HE IS CRAZY, COMMISSIONER!

LAMONT CRANSTON, OTHERWISE THE SHADOW, HAS JUST MET ORLIO, INVENTOR OF AN ALUMINUM BATHYSPHERE--- COMMISSIONER WESTON, CONVINCED THAT ORLIO IS CRAZY, INTENDS TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT!
I'LL HUMOR ORLIO, CRANSTON, WHILE YOU SEND UP THE OFFICERS FROM DOWNSTAIRS!
HANDLE HIM TACTFULLY, COMMISSIONER
GOOD-BYE, PROFESSOR
GOOD-BYE MISS LANE. REMEMBER! TELL NO ONE ABOUT THIS BATHYSPHERE!
VERNON F. GREENE
E-52
Ledger Syndicate

THE COMMISSIONER WANTS BOTH OF YOU UP STAIRS!
SO HE'S FINALLY DECIDED ORLIO IS CRAZY!
WE TOLD HIM THE GUY WAS BUGS!

I HAVE IT, LAMONT! AFTER THE POLICE TAKE ORLIO AWAY, SHIWAN KHAN WILL COME TO STEAL THE BATHYSPHERE!
RIGHT! AND WITH IT HE WILL FIND THE SHADOW!

BUT WHY SHOULD SHIWAN KHAN WANT ORLIO'S CRAZY BATHYSPHERE?
FOR THE SAME REASON HE WANTED FELBER'S CRAZY 12-WHEELED AUTOMOBILE--WHATEVER THAT REASON WAS!

THERE IS THE REAR ENTRANCE TO ORLIO'S. IF YOU SEE ANYTHING, MARGO, PASS THE WORD TO SHREVIE. HE'S AROUND THE CORNER!
COUNT ON ME, LAMONT!

YOU'LL HAVE TO STAY OUT OF SIGHT SHREVIE. IF MARGO SPIES ANYTHING, SHE'LL TELL YOU!
AND IN THAT CASE, SIGNAL WITH THE HIGH PITCH HORN THAT ONLY THIS EAR-PHONE CAN PICK UP!
I GETCHA, BOSS. HERE GOES A TEST!
VERNON V GREENE E-53
THE POLICE ARE STILL HERE, MASTER! WE CAN WAIT---
WE CAN NOT WAIT. MY MIND SENSES THE PRESENCE OF ANOTHER!
VERNON V GREENE
BUT LOOK FOR YOURSELF, MASTER. YOU WILL SEE NO ONE!
SILENCE! EYES MAY BE MISTAKEN, BUT THE BRAIN OF SHIWAN KHAN -- NEVER!
A MIND RECENTLY IN TUNE WITH MY OWN! IT DRAWS ME. WAIT HERE, ALL, UNTIL I RETURN!
IN THE ALLEY BEYOND SHIWAN KHAN!
Ledger Syndicate
AGAIN WE MEET, MISS LANE -- SILENCE -- SLEEP---
SHIWAN KHAN!
AGAIN--THE HYPNOTIC SPELL!

LEAVING MARGO HYPNOTIZED, SHIWAN KHAN STARTS HIS MEN TO ORLIO'S--
UPSTAIRS, ALL OF YOU! WE MUST SEIZE OUR PRIZE DESPITE THE SHADOW! I SHALL FOLLOW!
BUT FIRST I MUST FLASH A MENTAL MESSAGE TO PROFESSOR ORLIO!
MEANWHILE, THE SHADOW IS TAKING HIS OWN ROUTE UP-
IF YOU COME WITH US, PROFESSOR, WE'LL SHOW YOU HOW TO MAKE YOUR BATHYSPHERE PRACTICAL
SURE. WE GOT BLUE-PRINTS, PROF!
I SHALL COME, COMMISSIONER- THE MASTER BIDS!
WHAT'S THIS "MASTER" STUFF HE TALKS ABOUT?
REACHING THE FOURTH FLOOR WORK-SHOP, THE SHADOW FINDS THAT PROFESSOR ORLIO HAS LEFT HIS PRECIOUS BATHYSPHERE AND IS COMING QUIETLY WITH THE POLICE.
SOMETHING FUNNY ABOUT THIS! ORLIO COMING ALONG SO WILLINGLY!
WISE OF YOU TO TRUST US PROFESSOR
THE DE-CISION WAS MADE BY A BRAIN GREAT-ER THAN MY OWN!
WHAT ABOUT GRAB-BING THE PROF'S GUN?
NOT YET! WE'LL HUMOR HIM!

BELOW, SHREVIE SPIES MARGO.
SOMETHING HAS HIT MISS LANE, ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT! I'D BETTER TOOT THE HIGH-PITCHED HORN! ONLY THE BOSS WILL HEAR IT! HE HAS THE SPECIAL EAR-PHONES!
SHREVIE'S SIGNAL!
DANGER, COMMIS-SIONER! GRAB HIS GUN AND TAKE TO COVER!
GIVE ME THAT GUN, ORLIO!
I'LL LET YOU HAVE IT, ALRIGHT!
THE SHADOW
YEAH— BUT WHERE IS HE?
THE SHADOW REACHES THE MAD PROF.
THE SHADOW! TIMELY AS EVER!
I'M TAKING THAT GUN, ORLIO!
ARE YOU? LOOK BEHIND YOU, SHADOW!
FRIENDS OF MINE, HERE TO PROTECT MY BATHYSPHERE! YOU ARE DOOMED, SHADOW!
NOT WHILE THERE'S STILL A LIGHT SWITCH!
CLICK
YEEOOW!
HEAR THAT HOWL, COMMIS-SIONER!
THE SHADOW HAS CLIPPED ANOTHER!
BAM! BAM!
NEVER MIND THE CON-GRATULATIONS, COMMISSIONER, LOOK OVER THERE!
CLICK!
THE BATHYSPHERE! WHY---WHY-- IT'S GONE! INCREDIBLE!
WE'VE GOT ORLIO!
HE'S OUT COLD!
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THEY COULDN'T TAKE A SPHERE EIGHT FEET IN DIAMETER THROUGH THAT WINDOW!
LOOK WHERE THE BATHYSPHERE WAS!
WHY--WHY IT MUST BE AN ELEVATOR SHAFT!
THEY TOOK THE BATHYSPHERE DOWN ON THE ELEVATOR! THEY DIDN'T GO OUT BY THE WINDOW!
BUT THE WINDOW SUITS ME, COMMISSIONER
SO THAT'S THE WAY SHIWAN KHAN'S MEN CAME UP HERE! TOO SLOW A ROUTE TO TAKE DOWN!
HIS CLOAK SPREAD LIKE A RETARDING PARACHUTE, THE SHADOW TAKES A LONG, BOLD LEAP TO REACH A VANTAGE POINT TWO FLOORS BELOW---- A LOW ROOF ACROSS THE ALLEY!!
Ledger Syndicate
THE SHADOW MAKES A THREE-POINT LANDING--
JUST IN TIME! THERE'S SHIWAN KHAN GETTING THE BATHYSPHERE ONTO A TRUCK!
YOU ARE TOO LATE, SHIWAN KHAN!
THE SHADOW!
WHERE IS THE SHADOW?
EVEN OUR MASTER DOES NOT SEE HIM!

SHIWAN KHAN MAKES A LUCKY LEAP INTO THE TILTED SPHERE!
AWAY, FOOLS, BEFORE THE SHADOW HALTS US!
PING!
HURRY!
AROUND THE CORNER
HANG TIGHT MISS LANE! I'M GOING TO STOP THEM!
I'M SO BEWILDERED, SHREVIE
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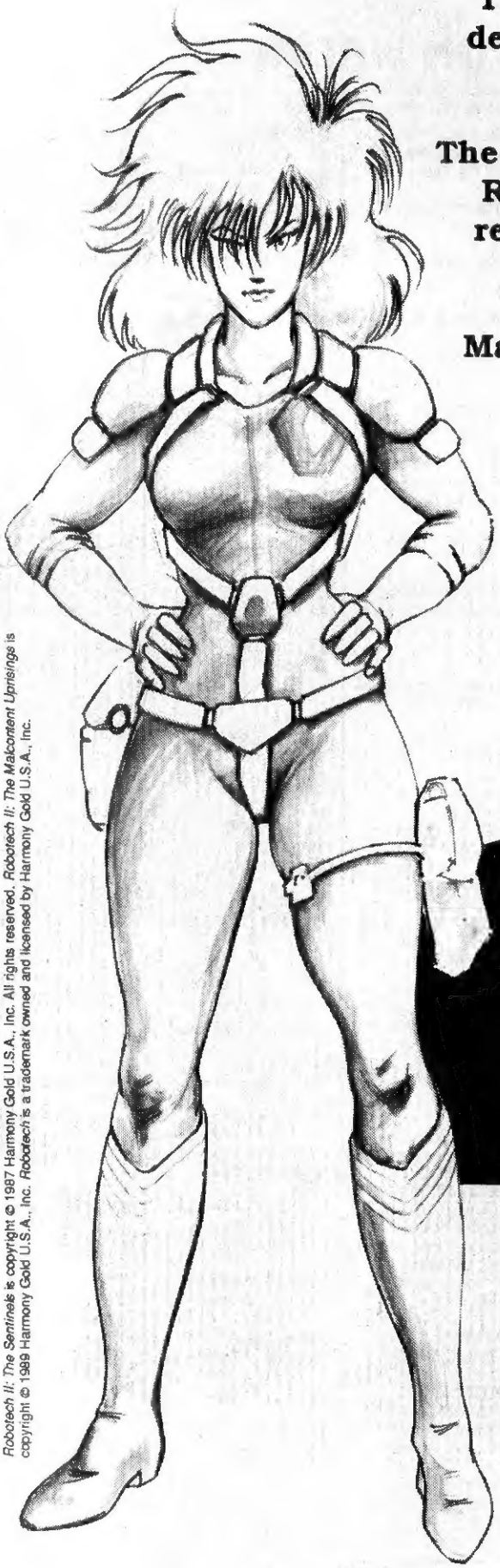
THE TRUCK SMACKS SHREVY'S CAB---
WOW! NOT A CHANCE OF STOPPING THAT THING!
NO WAY OF CHASING THEM NOW THAT YOU'VE WRECKED THE CAB SHREVIE
SORRY, BOSS!
WHAT HAPPENED?
SHIWAN KHAN TOOK THE BATHYSPHERE LIKE HE TOOK THE 12-WHEELED AUTOMOBILE-THAT'S ALL!
ODD! I CAN'T REMEMBER A THING ABOUT IT!
I THINK SHIWAN KHAN PUT THE "HYP" ON HER, BOSS!
MAYBE HE DID! BUT RIGHT NOW, MARGO AND I ARE GOING BACK TO CHAT WITH THE COMMISSIONER. I'M GETTING TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS RIDDLE!
YOU ARE, LAMONT?
WHAT IS THE ANSWER TO SHIWAN KHAN'S THIEVERY OF CURIOUS INVENTIONS? DOES THE SHADOW KNOW??

To Be Continued Next Month



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The Zentraedi--creations of the Robotech Masters--are being resettled and integrated into society.

Max Sterling has taken as his bride Miriya, a Zentraedi.

The First Robotech War is officially over.

Don't bet on it.

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